

Samuel signs extended deal

Welsh forward pens deal until June 2022.



Gareth Ainsworth has rewarded striker Alex Samuel with a new contract, extending the 23-year-old's stay at Adams Park until June 2022.

Samuel arrived at the club last summer, earning a short-term deal after impressing on trial, and penned a 18-month contract following an eye-catching start to life at the club.

With 42 appearances and seven goals for the Wanderers now under his belt, the Welshman's excellent form in the frontline has prompted his manager to issue him with a new contract, just two days after Nick Freeman also prolonged his time in south Bucks.

Ainsworth said: "Alex is a very important part of what we do and continues to develop his game week in, week out with the work he does on the training ground and in matches, so it's great news that we've been able to tie him down for an extra year.

"He's a perfect fit for Wycombe Wanderers with the way he performs on the pitch, and carries himself as an outstanding professional and popular character off it. This time last year he was still finding his feet again after a serious injury which ended his time at Stevenage in League 2, but he's now an established part of our squad in League 1 and he's deserved it because he's grabbed his opportunity with both hands."

Alex started out in the youth setup at Aberystwyth Town and earned a move to Swansea City in 2015, enjoying loan spells with Greenock Morton and Newport County before making a permanent switch to Stevenage.

It was his performance playing for Boro against Wycombe in December 2017 that first caught Ainsworth's eye, and the Blues boss swooped for the youngster following his release from the Hertfordshire club last summer, with Alex going on to win Wanderers' Young Player of the Year prize.